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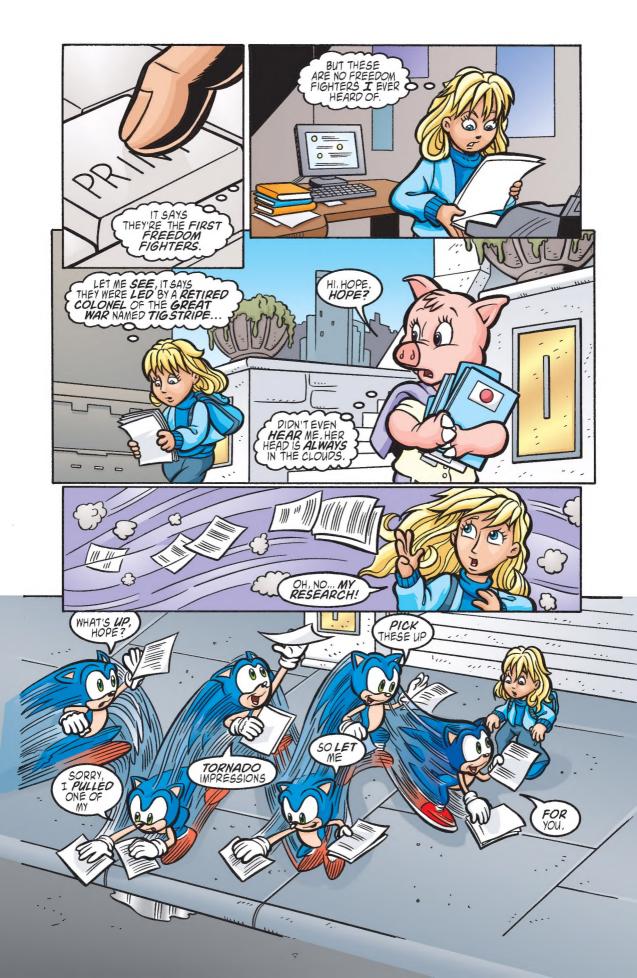


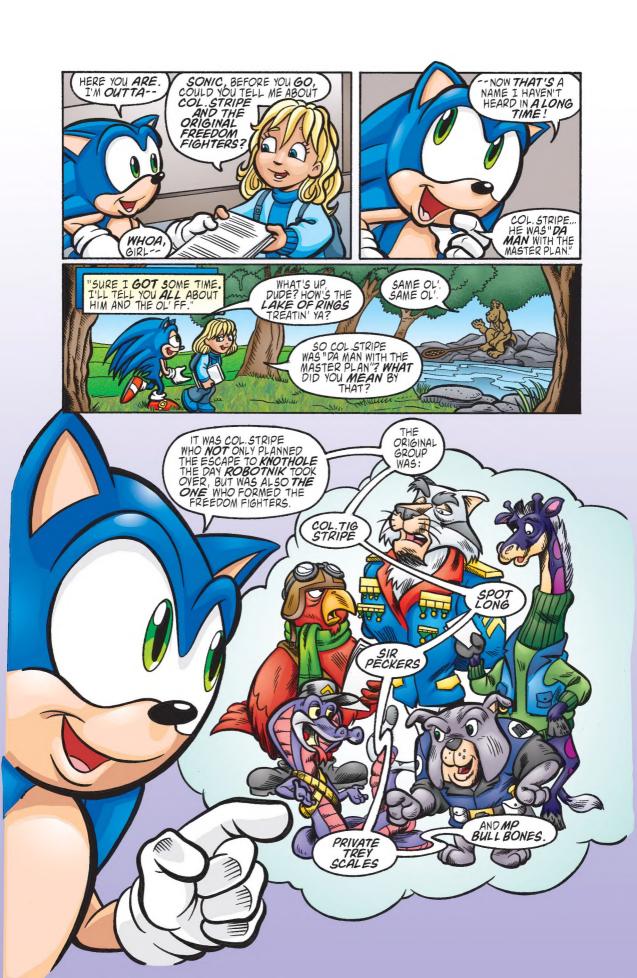






















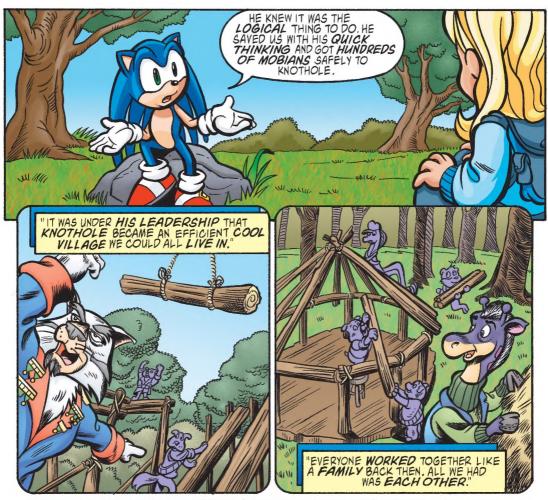


























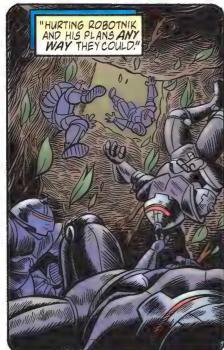




































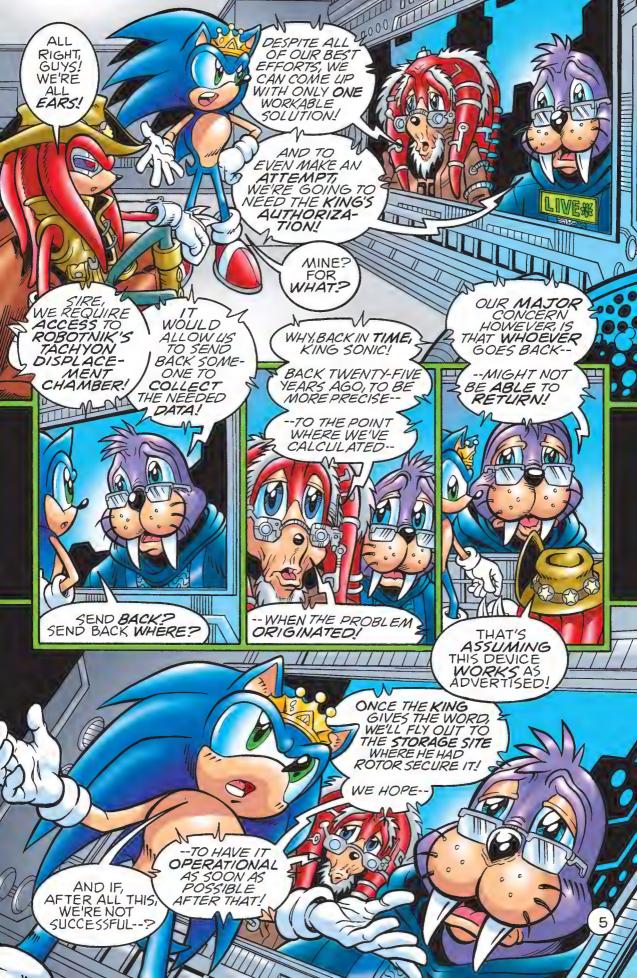


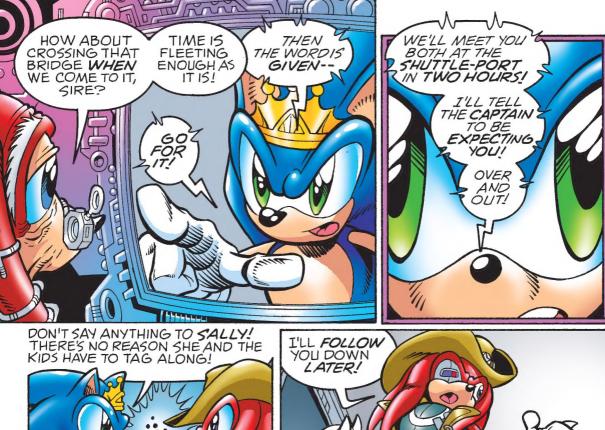




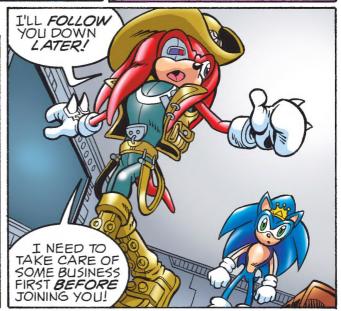


















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START

I said there would be some cool announcements to make. So, how does the return of Shadow sound?! Just this morning I was looking at the artwork for the story arc THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UNKNOWN and you are going to be wowed in a major way. Plus some other major baddies show up and really help Shadow make Sonic's life miserable. This story has what everybody has been begging for...a Sonic vs. Shadow showdown! All the action starts in Sonic 145!

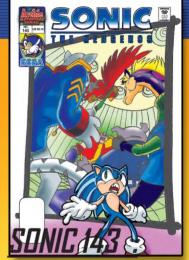
I also mentioned the different look for THE ORIGINAL FREEDOM FIGHTERS, so what do you think? Also, the cover was done differently with Spaz creating the foreground and Steven Butler, Jim Amash and Josh Ray creating the background. We hope you like it. We really tried to make this story special, and just wait until next issue to see what more surprises are up our sleeve!

One more thing before I go, SONIC SUPER SPECIALS, #1 through #10 are being reoffered for sale. For those of you who buy your comics through comic shops, get your shop to order them for you.

See 'ya next month!

MIKE

<u>NEXT ISSUE:</u>



THE ORIGINAL FREEDOM FIGHTERS Part 2 of 2:

Betrayed by one of their own!? Could this be the fate for SONIC and today's Freedom Fighters? The mystery deepens! M25YL:"FATHERS DAY"

Perhaps one of the greatest chapters of this future featurette! The final fate of one of the greatest Guardians is revealed. And nothing will be the same again!

OFF-PANEL



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Dear Sonic-Grams, I really like Sonic, and I just thought I'd let you guys know how good a job you're doing! I really like the covers Spaz does, and my all-time favorite (even though I just found the Sonic comics about six months ago) is issue #128.

Let us know what you think about this issue's (#142) cover, and the "new" style covers we have been doing lately. And even what your all time "fav" cover is.

I've been into Sonic since I was really young, and when I found the Sonic Comics at a local comic and game store I immediately wanted it.

Good man. Demand your Sonic comics!

In fact, it was #128 that I saw first and, after reading it, was amazed by how cool it seemed to me! I'm really bummed right now because I haven't been able to go to the comic store for a few months, so I've probably missed 3 or 4 issues!

CALVIN MONTEROS E-MAILED TO:SONIC @ ARCHIE COMICS.COM

If a comic book speciality store runs out, let the store know they have to order more! If you can't get to your local comic seller, get yourself a Sonic subscription with the Sonic Checklist! (Shameless Plug#1)

Hi, I think you're doing a great job with the Sonic comics. I've played the Sonic games when they first came out (I was six then), but I never knew there was an actual comic series until a month ago. I was browsing through the extras in SONIC MEGA COLLECTION when I discovered the Sonic cover collection.

Yeah, that is so cool! The SONIC MEGA COLLECTION is a great collection of the classic Sonic games, if any of you haven't played it you must do so now! The Sonic comics cover gallery is, of course, the way past coolest feature!

You can imagine the look on my face when I not only found out that there was a Sonic comic series started many years ago, but that it was STILL in print! After some extensive searching I finally found a corner store in my mall that carried it. Oh well, with any luck I'll eventually catch up with the times in Mobius. On the plus side, I now have something to preoccupy myself (I'm 17) with as I venture into college.

TRISTAN FLUMERFELT E-MAILED TO:SONIC @ ARCHIE COMICS.COM

Hey Sonic-Grams, I am a 13-year-old girl who loves anime and mostly reads manga. In fact, the Sonic the Hedgehog comic is the only American comic book series that I like!

Sonic is awesome! Check out our Sabrina the Teenage Witch comic, you will definitely like that comic too. Not only does Jim Amash, Jeff Powell, Jason Jensen and I work on it but, so does writer/artist Tania Del Rio, who is a huge Sonic fan. If we beg her maybe she can do a Sonic story for us!

And I've finally decided to write to you guys. Think of this as an honor, since I can put things off for a while, forgetting about it until it's too late. I think your comic book series is wonderful (like most people who write to you). I especially think it's hilarious that you made a parody of the anime Sailor Moon (SONIC SUPER-SPECIAL #8: Sally Moon).

As I mentioned in my editional, the SUPER SPECIALS, #1 through #10 are being reoffered for sale. Go to your local comic shop and order them today!

(Shameless Plug#2)

I hope you do more parodies of anime like that. And to reply to the question you asked last issue: I think the most surprising discovery for me was that Knuckles now has a baby brother. I have a baby brother myself, and I feel sorry for Knuckles. Though, you can't help but agree that the little guy's adorable. Speaking of adorable.....Will you ever have Cream & Cheese featured in the comic? Even maybe a brief cameo, or their own Super-Special. Just include Cream the Rabbit and her chao sidekick Cheese in something! PLEEEAAASE!!!!!!!

Yes. But you'll have to wait a little longer.

I'd also like to know when everyone else (Tails, Amy, Shadow, etc.) will appear in Mobius: 25 Years Later. I want to know what they look like!!!!!

Tails showed up in the controversial #138, and Amy and Shadow have yet to make an appearance in M:25YL

And last, but not least, my final question. A lot of people that I see on the letters page always ask where Shadow is now. But, while I think that Shadow is awesome and deserves his own video game and comic book series, what I'd like to know is where Rouge is. Is she doing some behind-the-scenes mission for the president of Station Square? Is she hunting for jewels? Is she dead? WHERE THE HECK IS SHE?!?!

Keep up the good work, and I'll keep reading.

RACHEL COX
E-MAILED TO:SONIC@ARCHIE COMICS.COM

Have we ever got a tale to tell with Rouge coming up. Jewel thievery, deceit, lies and other typical Rouge, bad behavior. It's gonna be good. But that is for another bat-time!

Dear Sonic-Grams, I was pretty much a Sonic fan since I was 2-years-old, when my parents first bought me the SEGA GENESIS and the 1st Sonic the Hedgehog game. Then I bought my first Sonic comic when I knew how to read (it was the SONIC BLAST adaption). I've been reading your comics since, cause YOU GUYS ROCK! But enough of my life story. You guys at ARCHIE COMICS are doing a great job with the comics. Umm....Just a lil' request, is there any possible way to see more Metal Sonic?

Metal Sonic, you say? That is one request we can fill in a major way. Hang around a few issues if you have the "Metal." (Hint, hint)

He's my favorite character and I've been trying to get all the issues of him, please? Oh, one more thing before I leave. I wanted to clear up something. There's millions who like Sonic, but #1 fan seems way to hard to reach! I'm probably #253 or something...Again, YOU GUYS ROCK!

EDWARD KAJ E-MAILED TO:SONIC@ARCHIE COMICS.COM

Fan #253 is all you.

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